

BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSIO
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20554

In the Matter of Applications of)
)
RESORT AVIATION SERVICES, INC.)
)
For Renewal of Aeronautical Advisory)
Station WYT9, Coeur d'Alene Airport,)
Hayden, Idaho)
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and)
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KOOTENAI COUNTY COEUR)
D'ALENE AIRPORT)
)
For a New Aeronautical Advisory)
Station at Coeur d'Alene Airport,)
Hayden, Idaho)

WT DOCKET NO. 02-179

AFFIDAVIT OF ROY DeFRANCO IN
SUPPORT OF MOTION FOR SUMMARY
DECISION

STATE OF IDAHO)
) ss.
COUNTY OF KOOTENAI)

Roy DeFranco, being first duly sworn, deposes and says:

I am employed as Chief Pilot and Flight Instructor for Resort
Aviation Services, Inc. I have personal knowledge of all matters set forth
in this affidavit.

I hold Aviation Certificates as Commercial Pilot, Airplane
Single Engine Plane, Instrument, CFII and Gold Seal Flight Instructor.

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My flight experience includes at least 5,300 hours of "Pilot in Command," 3,129 hours of "Cross-county PIC" and 3,900 hours as "Flight Instructor."

I have read the Hearing Designation Order issued in this case under date of July 2, 2002 by D'wana R. Terry, Chief, Public Safety and Private Wireless Division, Wireless Communication Bureau. My response in this affidavit is to the seven issues identified on page 2 of said Order under 2 (a) which reads as follows:

a. To determine which applicant would provide the public with better Unicorn service based on the following considerations:

Based on my personal knowledge, Resort Aviation has the following capabilities sought in each of the seven subparagraphs:

(1) Location of the fixed-based operations and proposed radio station in relation to the landing area and traffic patterns.

Resort Aviation is almost centered on the runway environment in relationship with the runway and traffic pattern most often used. The location is shown as Black Number 1 on the attached schematic drawing marked as Exhibit A.

The office building, reception facilities and hangar were constructed and used by Empire Airlines which operated regular

passenger service to and from Boise, Idaho for approximately ten years. Empire Airlines ceased operation of passenger service several years ago.

The general airport layout is shown in the photograph which I took attached as Exhibit B. Resort Aviation Jet Center is shown in the photograph attached as Exhibit C.

Resort Aviation Services, Inc. purchased all of these facilities from Empire Airlines in October 15, 1996 for \$495,000. The floor plans for the Empire Airlines facility now used by Resort Aviation are depicted on attached Exhibit D which was part of the sale documents.

Wind speed and wind direction indicators are located atop Resort Aviation's main lobby radio station is in the main lobby with the altimeters, wind speed and wind direction indicators in plain view. In the pilot lounge, there is a computer, desk and phone available to the pilots so they may access weather and flight planning activities.

(2) Hours of Operation.

Resort Aviation hours of operations are summer months: 0700-1900hours and winter months; 0800-1800 hours. Call-out hours are after regular business hours seven days a week on call number 24 hours a day.

(3) Personnel available to provide Unicorn services; and (4) experience of applicant and employees in the aviation and aviation communications;

Kathy Garren, Office Manager, Six years.

Mike Graziani, Line Manager, Thirteen years.

Roy DeFranco, Chief Pilot/CFII, Eleven years.

Denise Johnson, Office Assistant, Nineteen years.

Shan Dickess, First Line Personnel, One year.

Hannah Swanson, Office receptionist, seven months.

I have given personal instruction and Unicorn Certificates of Training to Kathy Garren on January 14, 2000, to Mike Graziani on January 14, 2000, to Denise Johnson on July 10, 2002, to Shane Dickess on August 14, 2001 and to Hannah Swanson on June 30, 2002.

(5) Ability to provide information pertaining to primary and secondary communications as specified in Section 87.257 of the Commission's Rules.

I was unable to find any ruling under that number of 87.257. However, I did find a ruling under 87.213, which I believe applies to our situation. (See appendix 5). I will base my answer on Section 87.213. All new employees of Resort Aviation received a training class on the correct usage of the Unicorn, aviation phraseology, and what are their primary and secondary duties as a Unicorn operator. I also monitor them, as do the other department managers, until they can handle the responsibility. I give a yearly refresher course to everyone whose duties

requires them to ~~use the~~ Unicorn. Each person completing the course receives a Certificate of Completion.

(6) **Proposed radio system including control and dispatch points:**

The radio we use is a ICOM-PS 80.

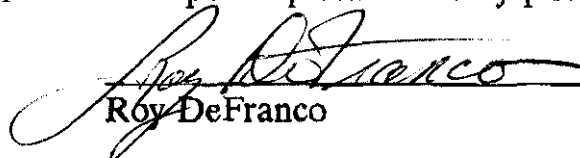
Microphone is a ICOM-SM6 desk mounted.

Our line personnel carry a ICOM handheld transceiver, plus each line personnel carry a Cobra Micro ~~Talk~~ walkie-talkie for constant communication ~~with~~ the office/lobby.

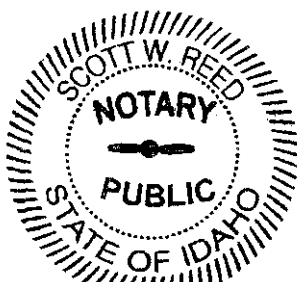
(7) **The availability of the radio facilities to other fixed-based operators;**

The only other fixed based operator on the Coeur d'Alene Airport is Southfield Fuel/Heliprop Aircraft. Persons from Southfield Fuel have on occasion come onto our Unicorn, sometimes inappropriately.

We announce all locations on the field with fuel. **We** direct aircraft to the businesses or locations as per requests made by pilots.


Roy DeFranco

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 17 day of December, 2002.

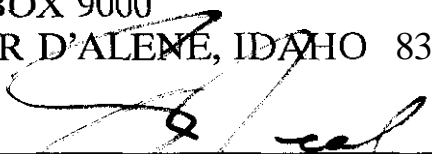




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Residing at Coeur d'Alene
My Commission Expires: 7/31/03

and by regular mail, postage prepaid to:

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COEUR D'ALENE AIR TERM (COE) 2318' 9NW [IAP]. 47°46'46"N 116°49'18"W (20
772-7838. Att days Mon-Fri; ngts on req. KVN 1080 D. Arpt cond avbl 762-323
Birds. Hlcptrs. Calm-wind (blo 4 kts) rwy 19. Rwy 5/23—Ponding or ice poss cntr 300t
DEP: Rwy 5—No intrsxn tkff.
Bcn: *PCL: 122.8 - Rwy, apch 5, txwy (3x low; 5x med; 7x hi), REIL (7x).

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F.T.L. (208):

\$ Silver Lake Motel
 3 mi 772-8595
Coeur D'Alene Inn &
Conference Cntr
 8 mi 765-3200
Shilo Inn
 8 mi 664-2300
 All have free pickup
Affordable Inn
 1 mi 772-4414
 Free pickp (prior notice)
 Taxi 664-8000

Rec Info (208):

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CDA Resort 12 mi 765-4000
 Bicycling, boating, fishing,
 horseback riding, jet skiing
 parasailing, water skiing

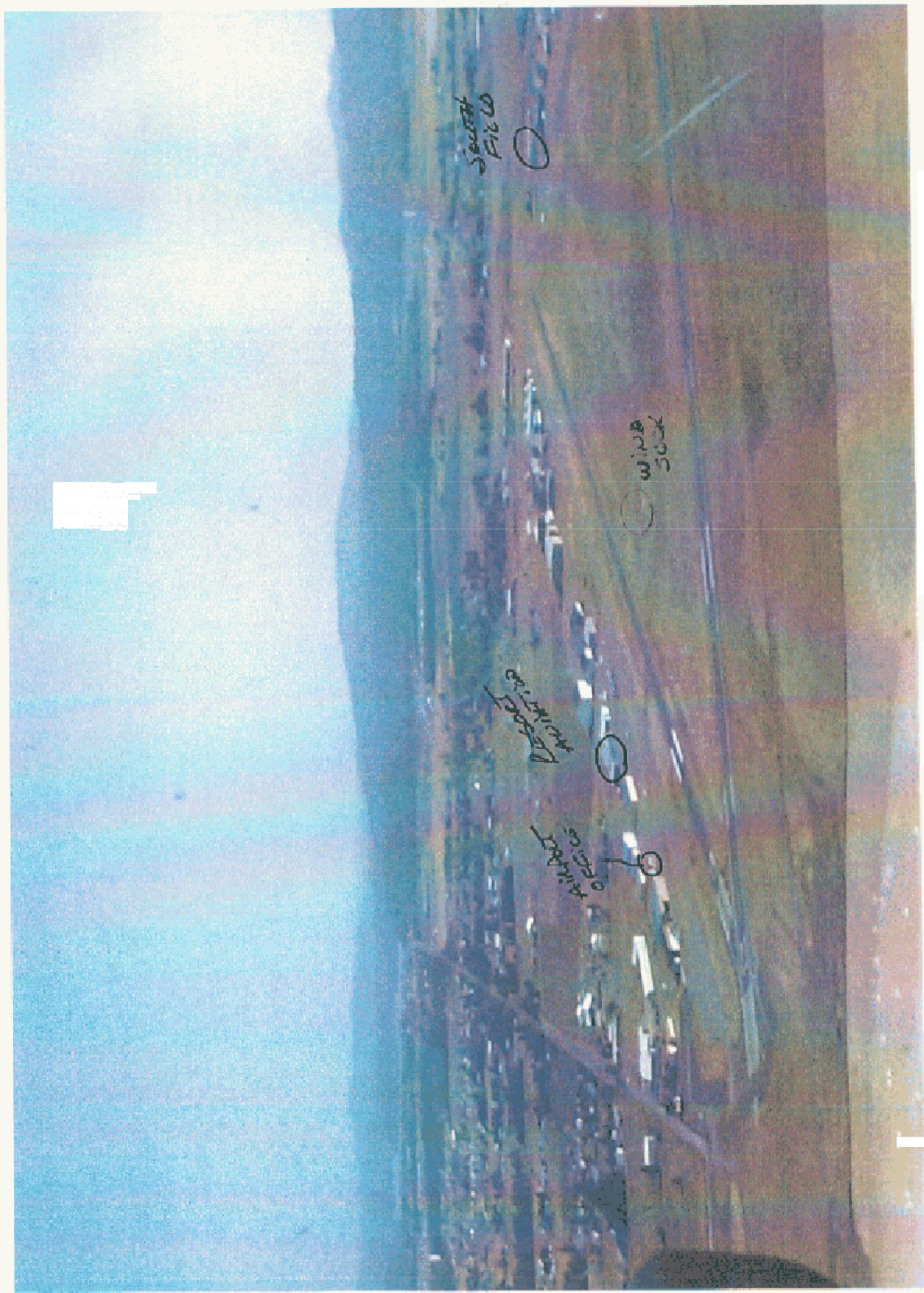
Rec Info:

Silverwood Themepark—
Athol 15 mi 683-3400

On Fld (208):

- ① **Resort Avtn Jet Cntr**
 (122.8 & 122.85)
 772-3731 Park
 Chv-100; Jet Maint Thrifty
 Lounge & supplies
- ② **Lomicevak Rstrnt 772-4906**
- ③ **Southfield Fuel 772-6404**
 Tx 100, Jet
- ④ **Heli-Prop Acft**
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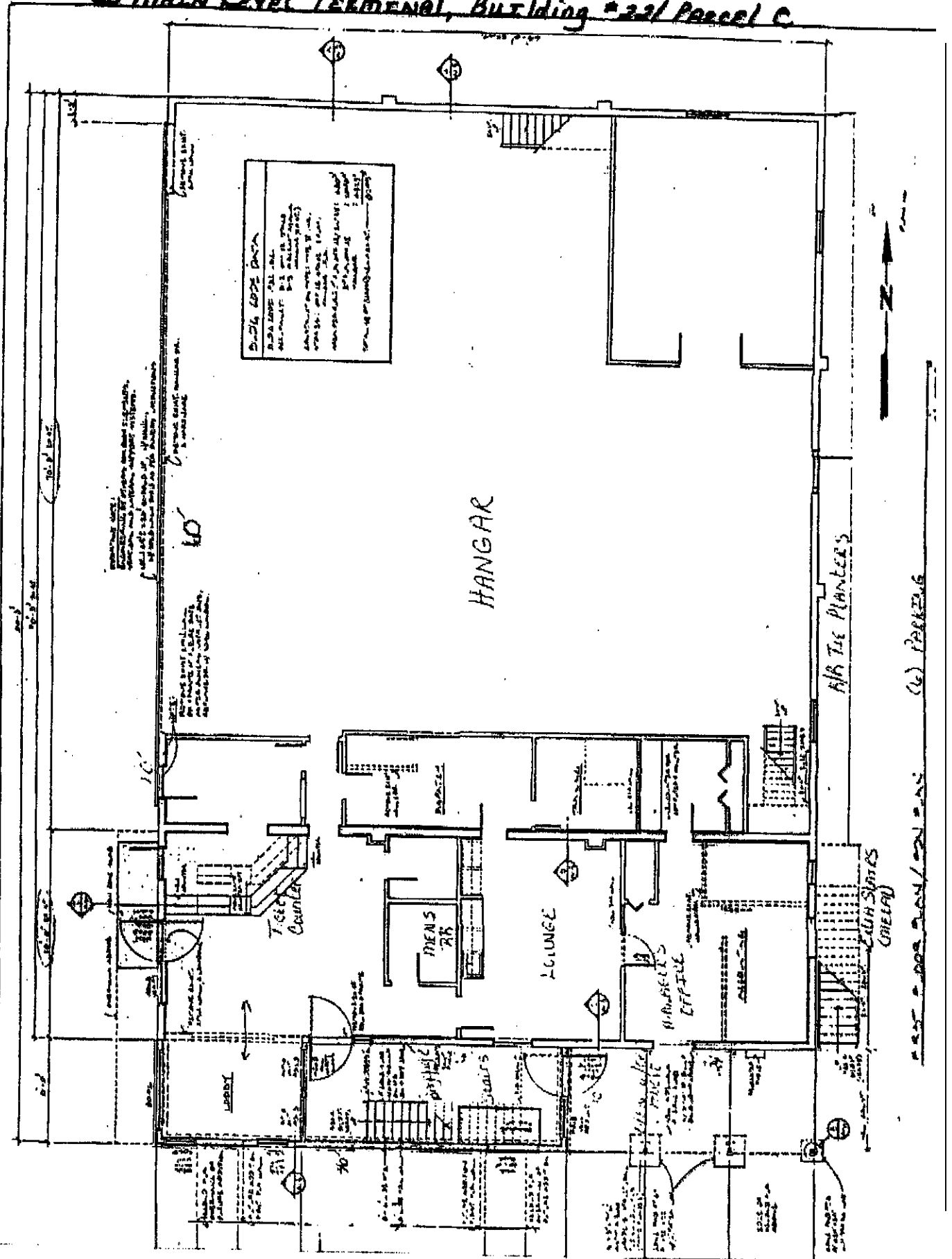
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SUBJECT FLOOR PLANS (1 OF 2)

③ MAIN LEVEL TERMINAL, BUILDING #22/ PARCEL C



SUBJECT FLOOR PLANS (2 OF 2)

③ UPPER LEVEL TERMINAL

